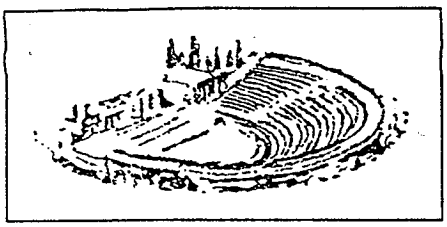

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Monday, June 8, 1992 **8:30 a.m.- 6:30 p.m.**

SPECIAL LECTURE

Molecular mechanisms regulating lymphocyte growth by interleukines
(W.E. Paul, National Institutes of Health Bethesda, USA)

PLENARY SESSIONS

1. DEVELOPMENT OF B CELL LINEAGE

M. Cooper Generation of B lineage Cells in hematopoietic tissue
(Univ.of Alabama, Birmingham, USA)

Molecular mechanisms regulating recombination of V genes
(F. W. Alt, Columbia University, New York, USA)

IL-6 and its receptor in lymphocyte growth and maturation
(T. Kishimoto, Osaka University, Japan)

Phenotypic and functional characteristics of Ly1-CD5 B cells
(J.F. Kearney, Univ. of Alabama, Birmingham, USA)

CDR structure and function
(M.I. Greene, Pennsylvania University, Philadelphia, USA)

2. CHARACTERISTICS OF SELF REACTIVE B CELLS

Postulates to define pathogenic lymphocytes
(C.A. Bona, Mount Sinai School of Medicine, New York, USA)

Early expression of human B cell repertoire
(M. Fougereau, Centre d' Immunologie, Marseille, France)

VH genes encoding human autoantibodies
(J. D. Capra, Univ. of Texas, Dallas, USA)

B cell malignancies frequently target autoreactive repertoire
(G. Dighiero, Institut Pasteur, Paris, France)

ROUND TABLES

"Autoreactive B cells"
(Chaired by G. Kelsoe Univ. of Maryland, Baltimore, USA)

"Lymphokines in Autoimmunty"
(Chaired by S. Waksal and A. Mantovani Imclone, New York, USA)

POSTER SESSIONS

B cell subsets, Ig genes, Cytodifferentiation antigens

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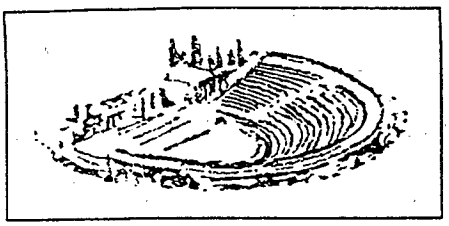

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Tuesday, June 9, 1992 **8:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m**

SPECIAL LECTURE

Reactivity of gamma/delta T cells
(S. Tonegawa, Mass. Inst. of Technology, Cambridge, USA)

PLENARY SESSIONS

3. INTERACTION OF SELF PEPTIDES WITH MHC GENE PRODUCTS AND ACTION OF SELF REACTIVE LYMPHOCYTES

Molecular anatomy of immune recognition
(J.L. Strominger, Harvard University, Boston, USA)

Cellular and molecular mechanisms of presentation of allo and self peptides
(A. Lanzavechia, Basel Inst. of Immunol. Switzerland)

Ectopic expression of class II antigens
(P. Bottazzo, Hospital Medical College, London, UK)

Recognition by T cells of viral epitopes expressed in Ig molecules
(H. Zaghounai, Mount Sinai School of Medicine, New York, USA)

Functional aspects of HLA molecules associated with autoimmune diseases
(E. Thorsby, Univ. of Oslo, Norway)

4. DEVELOPMENT OF T CELL LINEAGE

Molecular basis of interaction of TCR with MHC-peptide complex
(M.M. Davis, Stanford University, USA)
Human T cell repertoires in autoimmune diseases
(D. Primi, Conbiotec, Brescia, Italy)

Tolerance of T cells to MLS antigens
(E. Simpson, Clinical Research Center, Harroz, UK)

T cell clonal energy and peripheral tolerance
(R.H. Schwartz. National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, USA)

Round Tables

"Thymic Selection of T Cell Repertiore"
(Chaired by G. Wick Innsbruck University, Austria)
"Inhibiton of Autoreactive T cells"
(Chaired by V. Barnaba, Univ. of Rome "La Saplenza", Italy)
"Thymic Hormones"
(Chaired by E. Jirillo, Univ. of Bari, Italy)

Poster Sessions

T Cell Development, Subsets, Cytodifferentiation Antigens, Genes, Thymic Hormones

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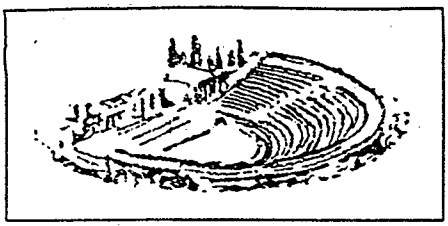

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Wednesday, June 10, 1992 **8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.**

SPECIAL LECTURE

Antigen Processing and Presentation
(B. Benacerraf, Harvard Med. School and Dana Faber Cancer Inst., Boston, USA)

PLENARY SESSIONS

5. AUTOREACTIVE T CELLS

Transgenic mice to study autoreactive cells
(D. Mathis, Faculte de Medicine, Strasbourg, France)

TCR gene experession in normal and autoimmune states
(A. Theophilopoulos, Scripps Clinic Res. Foundation, La Jolla, USA)

The developmental appearance and the consistency of use of specific TCRs in the MBP specific T cell response
(E. Heber-Katz, Wistar Institute, Philadelphia, USA)

The role of cross recognition of self and extrinstic antigens in autoimmune T cell response
(A.D. Ress, Homesmith Hospital, London, UK)

Mechainisms of T cell tolerance for self antigens
(J. Sprent, Scripps Clinic Res. Foundation, La Jolla, USA)

AFTERNOON FREE

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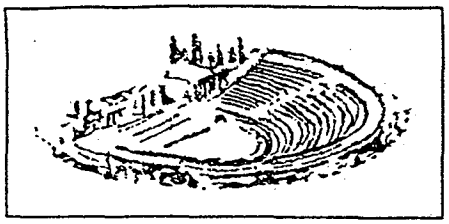

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SPECIAL LECTURE

Molecular Mechanisms of Ig Gene Rearrangement
(T. Honjo, Kioto University, Japan)

PLENARY SESSION

6. MOLECULAR ASPECTS OF ORGAN SPECIFIC AUTOIMMUNE DISEASES

Recent advances in the understanding of the pathogenesis of Hashimoto's thyroiditis
(A. Pinchera, University of Pisa, Italy)

Role of T cells and T cell receptor V gene usage in autoimmune thyroid disease
(T.F. Davies, Mount Sinai Medical School)

Immunodeficiencies and autoimmunity
(F.S. Rosen, Harvard Med. School, Boston, USA)

AchR-specificity of T cell clones
(H. Weckerle, Max Planck Institute, Martinsried, Gemany)

Molecular aspects of MS
(D.A. Hafler, Harvard University, Boston, USA)

TCR V gene usage in RA
(M.D. Howell, Immune Response Corp., La Jolla, USA)

7. REGULATION OF GENE EXPRESSION IN LYMPHOCYTES

V genes encoding nephritogeic autoantibodies in humans
(T. Sasaki, Tohoku Medical School, Sendai, Japan)

Influence of transcription up on immunoglobulin switch region DNA sequences: potential role in recombination
(J.A. Griffin, Boeringeringelheim, Ridgefield, USA)

Cellular and genetic mechanisms of differentiation of B cells
(J. McGhee, Univ. of Alabama, Birmingham, USA)

ROUND TABLES

"Pathogenic Self Reactive Lymphocytes"
(Chaired by R. Holmdahl, Uppsala Sweden)
"Immunosuppressive Drugs in the treatment of Autoimmune Diseases"
(Chaired by A. Misefari, Univ. of Messina, Italy)

POSTER SESSIONS

Autoreactive Cells, Tolerance, Organ Specific Autoimmune Diseases

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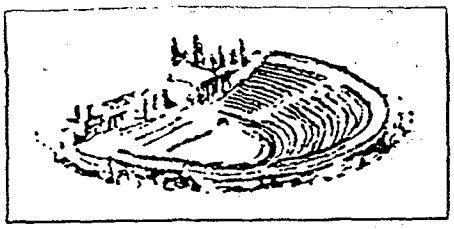

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Friday, June 12, 1992 **8:30 a.m.- 6:00 p.m.**

SPECIAL LECTURES

B Cell Tolerance
(G. Kohler, Max Planck Inst., Freiburg, Germany)

Highlights on Symposium
(N. Mitchison, Deutsche Rheuman Forshungszenbrum, Berlin, Germany)

PLENARY SESSIONS

8. MOLECULAR ASPECTS OF SYSTEMIC AUTOIMMUNE DISEASES

Etiopathogenesis of SLE
(G. Marmont, S. Martino Hospital, Genova, Italy)

Characteristics of T cell in SLE
(S.K. Datta, Tufts New England Medical Center, Boston, USA)

Autoantibodies in SLE
(B. Diamond, Albert Einstein College of Medicine, N.Y., USA)

Effect of anti-FcR antibodies in immune mediated fibrosis
(S.A. Jimenez, Thomas Jefferson Univ., Philadelphia, USA)

9. IMMUNOINTERVENTION IN AUTOIMMUNE DISEASES

Immunosuppressive drugs in autoimmune disease
(M. Chirigos, Univ. of Maryland, USA)

Immunotherapy of type I diabetes: from detection of genetic predispostion to early immune intervention
(J.F. Bach, Hopital Necker, Paris, France)

Selective immunosuppression by MHC blockade
(L. Adorini, Sandoz, Basel, Switzerland)

Stimulation of antibody response by mimicking antigens
(M. Zanetti, Univ. of California at San Diego, USA)

Towards treatment of autoimmune with synthetic peptides
(M.L. Gefter, Immunologic Corp., Cambridge, USA)

POSTER SESSIONS

Systemic Autoimmune Diseases, Immunopharmacology, Immunotherapy of Autoimmune Diseases

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